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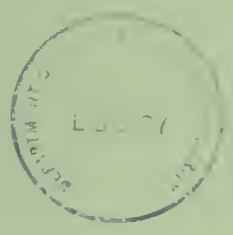

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Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health

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To the Chairman and Members of the Hoyland Nether Urban District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report upon the Health Services of the Hoyland Nether Urban District for the year ended 31st December, 1970. The Report follows the usual pattern, giving statistics and a short comment where necessary. Included in the report are statistics indicating the extent to which the Part III Services of the Local Health Authority are used within the Hoyland Nether Urban District.

A brief study of the Vital Statistics shows that the Birth Rate was 17.4 per 1,000 of the population, which is slightly lower than the figure for 1969. This is somewhat higher than the figure for England and Wales, but compares favourably with that for the West Riding Administrative County. After application of the Comparability Factor, the corrected figure was 17.6. The Crude Death Rate is lower than for the previous year, and at 11.2, compared with 12.6 for 1969, is approximately the same as the figure for both England and Wales and the West Riding Administrative County. After application of the Comparability Factor, the corrected figure was 13.1. The Still-birth Rate has risen to 21.1, and represents six still-births. The Infantile Mortality Rate has decreased compared to the previous year, and at 17.9 it is lower than that for the West Riding Administrative County and England and Wales. In all, there were five infant deaths.

The total number of deaths decreased in 1970 by 24, to 179, and studying the table of Principal Causes of Death one finds that the diseases of the circulatory system, including coronary disease, accounted for 89 deaths, or approximately 50% of the total. The next highest group is the deaths from malignant disease, which accounted for 35 deaths, or nearly 20% of the total. Of this total number of deaths from Carcinoma, 8 were due to Cancer of the Lung, which is one more than the figure for 1969. There were 7 deaths from Violence, 5 due to accidents and 2 to suicide. Three of the 5 accidental deaths were in the elderly age group, and they died from complications following injuries received in falls at home. Home accidents are responsible for a tremendous amount of distress in the country and, if not causing death, they can create a lot of pain and suffering. Home Safety Committees do a great deal to channel information to the community, in an effort to spread propaganda on this vital problem. The Hoyland Nether Urban

District is fortunate in having an active Home Safety Committee, who meet bi-monthly, and whose meetings are very well attended. Medical and Nursing Staff give talks to groups of interested people, and during home visits, and at Clinics and Health Centres, no opportunity is missed to bring this subject to the attention of the public.

During the year there were 326 cases of infectious disease notified, compared with 36 for 1969. Of the total number 290 were cases of Measles. The attack rate for this disease was 18.0. Notifications of Infective Jaundice dropped from 5 in 1969 to 2 in the current year, and there were 2 cases of Dysentery compared with 4 in the previous year. The remaining diseases were split between 10 cases of Scarlet Fever, 18 notifications of Whooping Cough and 4 cases of Meningitis.

It would appear opportune at this moment in time to refer to the two new Acts which came into force during the year. They were as follows:-

The Education (Handicapped Children) Act, 1970, and

Local Authority Social Services Act, 1970.

The former transferred responsibility for the education of mentally handicapped children to the Education Committee, with effect from 1st April, 1971. The second Act, which involved the setting up of a new Department of Social Services, had more widespread implications. So far as the Local Health Authority was concerned, the new department was to take over the administration of the undermentioned services, with effect from 1st April, 1971:-

Home Help Service.

Registration of Premises under the Nurseries and Childminders' Act.

Care of the Unmarried Mother and her Child.

Day Nurseries.

Adult Training Centres.

Day Hostels.

Mental Health Services.

Co-ordinating Committees and Homeless Families.

Health Department General Social Workers.

Provision of Recuperative Holidays.

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Working parties, comprising representatives from all the departments concerned, were established to deal with the various aspects of the work, and a first meeting was held on 1st December, 1970. Subsequent meetings were held at frequent intervals, when considered necessary.

Mr. Smith, the Chief Public Health Inspector, has provided the statistics for that part of the report which deals with Sanitary Circumstances.

At the end of the year there were 5789 houses in the district, compared with 5790 in 1969. No dwellings were represented in clearance areas. Of the total dwellings 5778 were connected to water carriage sewage disposal. The remaining 11 have earth or pail closets. All the dwellings in the area are on a mains water supply; all samples during the year were sound. This is a most satisfactory situation. In the whole district there are only 10 pail closets and one privy. Although I would like to see all dwellings with a water carriage system, nevertheless the situation is satisfactory.

In conclusion, I wish to put on record my thanks for the continuing help received by me from the Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee. I also wish to thank the Clerk of the Council, the Chief Public Health Inspector and other Council officials for their co-operation in the work of the Health Department during the year.

To carry out the duties of Medical Officer of Health efficiently, one is dependant on certain help. In the absence of a deputy there has, of necessity, been an increase of work all round for my own staff in the Divisional Health Office. That this has been accepted willingly is a measure of their loyalty, and I am most grateful to them.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

F.C. ARMSTRONG,

Medical Officer of Health.

DISTRICT STATISTICS IN BRIEF

The Hoyland Nether Urban District covers an acreage of 1,998 acres. The district is divided into four wards and the acreage and the number of houses in each is as follows:-

Ward	Acreage	No. of houses
Hoyland	262	1923
Hoyland Common	372	1368
St. Peter's	749	1149
Elsecar	615	1349
Total:	1,998	5789

The Rateable Value of the district is £387,095, whilst the product of a penny rate is £1,545.89.

VITAL STATISTICS

POPULATION

The Registrar-General has given his estimation of the population at mid-1970 as 16,010. This is a decrease of 90 when compared with the 1969 figure.

BIRTHS

There were 279 live births registered in the district during the year. Of these 131 were male and 148 female. This is 20 less than the figure for 1969. There were 21 illegitimate births, 8 male and 13 female.

STILL-BIRTHS

There were 6 still-births during the year (4 male and 2 female). There were no illegitimate still-births.

DEATHS

179 deaths were attributed to the district. This figure is 24 less than the figure for 1969.

Set out below are tables of Live Birth Rates, Still-birth Rates and Crude Death Rates, with rates for England and Wales and for the Administrative County of the West Riding.

LIVE BIRTHS

(Rates per 1,000 of the Population)

Year	England and Wales	West Riding Administrative County	Hoyland Nether U.D. Crude Rate	Hoyland Nether U.D. Adjusted Rate
1970	16.0	17.3	17.4	17.6
1969	16.3	16.9	18.6	18.8
1968	16.9	17.6	18.6	18.8
1967	17.2	18.0	19.6	19.8
1966	17.7	18.0	18.0	18.2

DEATHS (Crude Death Rate)

1970	11.7	11.7	11.2	13.1
1969	11.9	11.6	12.6	14.8
1968	11.9	11.6	12.1	14.2
1967	11.2	11.2	10.0	11.7
1966	11.7	12.1	10.4	12.1

STILL-BIRTHS

(Rates per 1,000 Live and Still-births)

1970	13.0	13.6	21.1
1969	13.2	13.5	13.2
1968	14.3	14.3	16.5
1967	14.8	15.2	15.8
1966	15.4	14.4	17.2

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH

INFECTIVE DISEASES	Male	Female	Total
Syphilis and its sequelae	-	-	-
Tuberculosis	-	-	-
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	-	1
CANCER			
Larynx	1	-	1
Intestine	2	4	6
Stomach	5	-	5
Lung and Bronchus	6	2	8
Uterus	-	1	1
Breast	-	2	2
Other sites, including Leukaemia ..	9	2	11
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms ..	1	-	1
ANAEMIAS	-	1	1
DIABETES	-	1	1

	Male	Female	Total
OTHER ENDOCRINE, etc., DISEASES	-	1	1
CIRCULATORY SYSTEM			
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease ..	-	1	1
Hypertension with Heart Disease ..	1	3	4
Ischaemic Heart Disease	27	15	42
Other Heart Diseases	3	3	6
Cerebro-vascular Disease	13	10	23
Other Circulatory Diseases	6	7	13
RESPIRATORY SYSTEM			
Pneumonia	2	6	8
Bronchitis and Emphysema	16	2	18
Asthma	-	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	1	2	3
DIGESTIVE SYSTEM			
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum ..	-	1	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System	1	1	2
GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM			
Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Genito-Urinary System	1	-	1
VIOLENCE			
All other accidents	1	4	5
Suicide	2	-	2
CONGENITAL ANOMALIES	3	2	5
BIRTH INJURY, DIFFICULT LABOUR etc.,	-	1	1
OTHER SYMPTOMS AND ILL-DEFINED CONDITIONS	3	1	4

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF DEATHS

Age Group	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Under 1 year	8	4	6	9	5
1 to 2 years	-	-	-	-	1
2 to 5 years	-	-	-	-	2
5 to 15 years	1	1	3	1	1
15 to 25 years	3	-	-	2	-
25 to 45 years	6	9	7	4	4
45 to 65 years	35	35	39	53	36
65 years and over	111	111	140	134	130
TOTAL:	164	160	195	203	179

INFANTILE MORTALITY

There were 5 deaths of infants under the age of 1 year (2 male, 3 female), equivalent to a rate of 17.9 per 1,000 live births.

DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR
(Rates per 1,000 Live Births)

Year	England and Wales	West Riding Administrative County	Hoyland Nether U.D.
1970	18.2	19.8	17.9
1969	18.1	18.9	30.1
1968	18.3	18.5	20.1
1967	18.3	19.2	12.8
1966	19.0	19.8	28.1

TABLE SHOWING AGE DISTRIBUTION OF INFANTILE DEATHS

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	Total under 1 year
Perinatal Asphyxia	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
General Peritonitis	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Multiple Congenital Abnormalities	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Massive Diaphragmatic Hernia	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Congestive Cardiac Failure	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL:-	4	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	5
1969	6	0	0	0	6	1	1	1	0	9
1968	5	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	6
1967	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	4
1966	3	1	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	8

MATERNAL MORTALITY

There were no maternal deaths during the year.

EPIDEMIC DISEASES

There have been no deaths in the Epidemic Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) Group during the year.

INQUESTS were held on 9 occasions, and in 20 cases the cause of death was certified by the Coroner after Post-mortem Examination without inquest.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACTS, 1946/57

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births	279
Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population	17.4
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births	7.5
Still-births	6
Still-birth Rate per 1,000 total live and still-births	21.1
Total Live and Still-births	285
Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year)	5

INFANT MORTALITY RATES

Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births ..	17.9
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	15.5
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	47.6
Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births)	14.3
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births)	14.3
Perinatal Mortality Rate (still-births and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still-births)	35.1

MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)

Number of deaths	Nil
Rate per 1,000 total live and still-births ..	Nil

ATTACK RATE OF COMMONER INFECTIOUS DISEASES

(per 1,000 of Population)

DISEASES	England and Wales	West Riding Administrative County	Hoyland Nether U.D.
Scarlet Fever	0.27	0.37	0.62
Measles	6.27	9.11	18.0
Whooping Cough	0.34	0.39	1.1
Dysentery	0.22	0.16	0.1
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic)	0.00	0.00	0.00
" (Non-Paralytic)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Paratyphoid Fever ..	0.00	0.00	0.00
Typhoid Fever	0.00	0.00	0.00

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

INFECTIOUS DISEASES OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS

During the year a total of 326 cases of Infectious Disease were notified.

Set out below are tables which are self-explanatory.

DISEASE	1970	1969	1968	1967	1966
Dysentery	2	4	2	2	1
Scarlet Fever	10	15	3	13	13
Whooping Cough	18	-	6	12	9
Measles	290	12	299	93	282
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-
Meningitis	4	-	-	-	1
Pneumonia	-	-	4	-	1
Erysipelas	-	-	1	-	2
Poliomyelitis & Polioencephalitis	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	3	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	1
Infective Jaundice	2	5	8	-	-
Totals:	326	36	326	120	310

DISTRIBUTION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

BY AGE GROUPS

DISEASE	0 - 1 year	1 - 2 years	2 - 3 years	3 - 4 years	4 - 5 years	5 - 10 years	10 - 15 years	15 - 25 years	25 - 35 years	35 - 45 years	45 - 65 years	65 and over	Age unknown	TOTALS
Age Group														
Measles	18	39	43	39	40	108	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	290
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	1	4	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Whooping Cough	1	1	1	1	2	10	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	18
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis (Para.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
" (Non-Para.)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningitis	1	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Encephalitis ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric or Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice ..	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
TOTALS:	20	40	46	42	46	123	2	2	1	-	-	1	3	326

SCARLET FEVER

There were 10 cases of Scarlet Fever notified during the year, 5 less than the number for 1969. Of the total, one was 3-years of age, one 4-years old, and the rest between 5 and 14 years. I was not informed of any serious complication in any of the cases. The attack rate was 0.62. The distribution of the cases was as follows:-

Hoyland	4
Hoyland Common ..	1
St. Peter's ..	3
Elsecar	2
Total:	10

DIPHTHERIA

No cases of Diphtheria were notified during 1970. As in previous years we continued the computer scheme for recording immunisation against this disease. I explained in the last report that the use of the computer is designed to keep a very close check on those children who have not been immunised at the appropriate age, and to continue to issue repeat invitations to the parents to have the immunisation carried out. As a result of this a much higher rate of immunisation has been achieved, not only in the Division, but in the West Riding County Council Administrative Area as a whole.

	1970	1969
Primary immunisations ..	1,184	771
'Booster' immunisations	1,028	1,751

WHOOPING COUGH

During 1970, 18 cases of Whooping Cough were notified, and all the 18 cases occurred in the fourth quarter of the year. 12 of the total occurred in Hoyland, 3 in Elsecar and 3 in Hoyland Common. Of this number 4 are known to have been immunised.

The majority of children who contact Whooping Cough when they have been immunised suffer the disease to a relatively mild degree; in fact, many children probably have the disease to such a mild degree that it is not recognizable as clinical Whooping Cough. In the Division 1,177 children were immunised during 1970, compared with 755 during 1969.

MEASLES

There were 290 cases of Measles notified in 1970, compared with 12 in 1969. The attack rate was 18.0, which is greater than that for both the West Riding Administrative County and England and Wales as a whole. As I mentioned in my 1969 report, this disease is subject to biannual peaks, and therefore, is conforming to pattern. The immunisation campaign against Measles continues, and is well received by the majority of parents. During 1970, taking the Division as a whole, 1,540 children were vaccinated.

INFECTIVE JAUNDICE

Only two cases of Infective Jaundice were notified in the district during the year under review; 1 was in the third quarter and 1 in the fourth quarter.

POLIOMYELITIS

Again there were no cases of Poliomyelitis notified during the year for your district. There were no cases of this disease notified for England and Wales or for the West Riding Administrative County. There can be no doubt whatsoever that this happy state is due to the comprehensive vaccination programme which has been continuing for so long. It is, however, imperative that vaccination against this disease is continued, and the computer method of recording immunisation is of assistance in this matter because of the issue of individual invitations to each child known to reside within a given area. Below I append a table showing the immunisation figures for the whole of the Division.

VACCINATION OF PERSONS UNDER AGE 16 COMPLETED DURING 1970.

TABLE 1.

Completed Primary Courses - Number of persons under age 16.

Year of Birth					Others under age 16	Total
1970	1969	1968	1967	1963-66		
8	891	264	5	12	1	1,181

TABLE 2.

Reinforcing Doses - Number of persons under age 16.

Year of Birth					Others under age 16	Total
1970	1969	1968	1967	1963-66		
-	24	47	16	896	6	989

SMALLPOX

There were no cases of Smallpox notified in the area in 1970. A total of 946 persons received primary vaccination, compared with 821 during 1969. I regret I cannot give figures for individual districts, and the foregoing statistics are for Division 22. At the time of writing this report the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security has issued recommendations on the advice of a Joint Committee on vaccination and immunisation that vaccination against Smallpox need no longer be undertaken as an urgent procedure in early childhood, and our vaccination programmes have been amended accordingly.

Vaccination against Smallpox continues to be recommended for travellers to and from countries where the disease is endemic, and for Health Service Staff who may come into contact with patients.

MENINGITIS

During the year 4 cases of Meningitis were notified in the area. The ages were 7-months, two 2-year olds and one 8-years of age. Three of the children were admitted to hospital for treatment.

DISEASES OF THE ALIMENTARY TRACT

Two cases of Dysentery were notified, both occurring in the third quarter; contacts were examined in the usual way. After investigations were carried out, the source of infection was not proven in either case.

We should never forget that this is a highly infectious disease, and can attack a family and spread very rapidly. The infection is transmitted by hand, by way of contaminated articles, e.g. crockery or cutlery. Fortunately, the disease is preventable if strict hygiene precautions are taken, but once a person becomes infected the disease can be persistent, and eradication a long drawn out procedure. The Public Health Department is involved in a great deal of investigation, and specimens have to be otained from patients and contacts, entailing many visits to their homes and close liaison with the Laboratory Service. To contain outbreaks of this nature the people affected must appreciate that while the symptoms can be relieved quickly by modern chemico-therapy, the organism may still be there, and until there are consistent negative results from the samples taken to the laboratory for analysis, we cannot assume that infectivity is ended.

In this respect, therefore, the patient must continue to co-operate fully.

No cases of Food Poisoning were notified in the district during 1970.

TUBERCULOSIS

3 cases of Tuberculosis were notified during the year, plus 1 case transferred into the district from a neighbouring area. Of the new cases 2 were pulmonary and 1 non-pulmonary. Two of the patients were admitted to Wath Wood Hospital for treatment. The picture so far as this disease is concerned is reasonably good, and gives no cause of anxiety. The incidence of new cases is comparatively low, and what is equally important, they are being diagnosed earlier with a much better chance of recovery.

We did not have a visit from the Mass Radiography Unit during the year, but when visiting another area in the Division advantage is always taken to refer suspicious cases for chest X-ray or, if necessary, they can be referred direct to the Unit's static premises, either at the Royal Hospital, West Street, Sheffield, the Hallamshire Teaching Hospital, Glossop Road, Sheffield, or the Chest Clinic, Queen's Road, Barnsley.

The Local Health Authority continues to provide extra nourishment for Tuberculosis cases receiving domiciliary treatment, if it has been recommended by the Chest Physician. These patients receive two pints of milk per day, free of charge, so long as they are at home, and during 1970 three patients in the Hoyland Nether Urban District received this extra nourishment.

An additional important factor in the Welfare of these patients is housing, in order that the person suffering from the disease can have separate sleeping accommodation. Whenever I have had need to recommend rehousing in such cases, your Council have always supplied alternative accommodation. No such recommendation was made during 1970.

B.C.G. VACCINATION

Again, B.C.G. Vaccination was systematically carried out amongst school-children during their first year in the Secondary School. The table below gives an indication of the numbers involved.

School	No. Tested	No. Positive	No. Negative	No. Vaccinated
Kirk Balk Sec. Modern	201	7	194	189 (5 abs.)

GENRAL PROVISION OF THE HEALTH SERVICE

HOSPITALS

The general hospitals in Barnsley and Sheffield serve the Hoyland district, and Lodge Moor Hospital, Sheffield, deals with infectious diseases. Maternity cases are admitted to the Chapeltown Maternity Home, the St. Helen's Hospital, Barnsley, and occasionally the Princess Royal Maternity Home, Huddersfield.

LABORATORY FACILITIES

The Public Health Laboratories at Wakefield and Sheffield are available to provide all the necessary investigations we may require in the epidemiological field. The respective Medical Directors are always willing to help and advise, and I am grateful to them.

MORTUARY

The Barnsley mortuary serves the Hoyland District.

AMBULANCE SERVICE

The arrangements made by the West Riding County Council for the provision of ambulance facilities, in accordance with the requirements of Section 27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, have been continued during 1970.

No staffing difficulties were experienced during the year and a full complement of staff was maintained. These now number 44, including 3 female domestic cleaners, 2 employed at the Hoyland Ambulance Station and 1 at Penistone and all are under the control of the Station Officer. The employment of domestics to clean staff quarters, messrooms and offices has been a welcome innovation much appreciated by the staff, who continue to work a three-shift system from the main operational depot at Hoyland, with an alternating shift at Penistone. A high level of vaccination and immunisation state is maintained, and regular procedures are carried out by the medical staff from my department.

In May the ambulance car was exchanged for an ambulance, and there are now eight vehicles at Hoyland and three at Penistone. All these are radio-controlled, contributing to a high degree of efficiency, and many incidents are recorded where due to this system, a patient is able to obtain medical attention much more speedily, with very obvious advantage.

During 1970, 47,790 patients were conveyed, and the mileage travelled by vehicles from these two stations was 280,118 miles. In the main the journeys undertaken have been associated with the conveyance of patients to and from hospitals in Sheffield, Barnsley and Rotherham, as well as to various treatment centres. Arrangements continue to operate for mutual assistance with adjoining authorities, in respect of routine and emergency cases. Facilities exist for transporting midwives to maternity patients when required, in addition to delivering an incubator for use when babies are born prematurely. This valuable piece of equipment, whilst housed at the Hoyland Ambulance Station is of course, maintained by our midwives, and a number of vehicles are provided with means of electrical heating for the incubator.

The majority of the ambulance personnel are competent to render first-aid and for staff who have trained and obtained current certificates the County Council give extra financial rewards as an added incentive. At the Hoyland Depot voluntary Ambulance Aid classes are taken by a shift-leader each week, and these are well attended. The Station Officer gives lectures on "Resuscitation Procedures" and "Prevention of Home Accidents" to audiences at Comprehensive Schools, Church Organisations and Home Safety Committees.

CERVICAL CYTOLOGY

During 1970 the practice of taking cervical smears for the detection of early carcinoma of the cervix was continued. Although the policy laid down was to encourage females over 35 years of age with four or more children as the group most at risk, we have always accepted married women who are anxious to have the test carried out, regardless of age. This is a service which finds its own level of publicity, and there is no shortage of applicants. These are referred by general practitioners and our own nurses, or the ladies make their own application, having perhaps read in women's magazines that to have this test is

a most useful preventive measure. The reason for the absence of publicity on our part is that the smear facilities in the laboratory is the controlling factor. The number of positive cases that have been discovered is very small, but invariably, as a result of having been discovered, we expect the ladies concerned will go on to enjoy a normal life span.

CLINICS

TUBERCULOSIS

Those people suffering from Tuberculosis are referred to the Chest Clinic at 46, Church Street, Barnsley, and at this clinic complete investigation is possible, including X-ray. The health visitors, when necessary, undertake the tracing of contacts, and in this connection are able to liaise with the Consultant Chest Physician.

CHILD WELFARE CLINICS

Below are the tables showing the various Clinics held within the Hoyland District and, in certain cases, figures indicating the number of attendances during 1970.

Name and Address of Centre. Name of Doctor and Health Visitor in attendance	Day and Time of Sessions	Total number of attendances during the year	
		Number who attended for first time during 1970	Children up to 5 years
HOYLAND 2 West Street. Dr. D.J. Fairclough Miss S. Thwaites Mrs. J. Townsend (Res'd 30.9.70) Mrs. V. Beech	Tuesday p.m.	363	3,531
HOYLAND COMMON Rockingham Youth Centre Dr. D.J. Fairclough Miss S. Thwaites Mrs. J. Townsend (Res'd 30.9.70) Mrs. V. Beech	Thursday p.m.	333	2,150

ANTE-NATAL AND OTHER CLINICS

Name and Address of Clinic. Name of Doctor and Nurse in attendance	Day and Time of Sessions	Total number of attendances
HOYLAND 2 West Street. Dr. D.J. Fairclough Mrs. M.C. Joll Mrs. J. Andrews Miss S. Thwaites Mrs. V. Beech Mrs. J. Townsend (Res'd 30.9.70)	Monday p.m.	208

HEALTH VISITING

In recent years there has been considerable rethinking on the functions of a Health Visitor. I think the old concept of the Clinic Nurse, whose sole concern was for baby welfare, with the occasional search for verminous heads, has long been dispelled. The modern Health Visitor is a highly trained professional, and not only has the requisite nursing qualifications, but is experienced in all aspects of Social Welfare, as well as knowing the functions of a Computer. She must be adaptable to efficiently work in a sophisticated Health Centre as well as in a two-roomed Sunday School. She should be the type who can communicate with the modern young miss equally as well as with the elderly persons. A Health Visitor has to act as a link between the general practitioner and the patient, and between the patient and the hospital. She must also be skilled in the art of teaching, because wherever she goes the Health Visitor imparts the principles of personal hygiene, as well as advising on preventive medicine. The Local Authority Social Services Act, 1970, about which I commented in my introduction, having received the royal assent, becomes effective from 1st January, 1971. This Act envisages multi-purpose Social Workers, who will have a part to play alongside the Health Visitors, but will not replace them. During the year the Health Visitors made 1,508 first visits to new cases in the Hoyland Nether Urban District.

HEALTH VISITING STAFF, 1970

Health Visitor	Address	Telephone No.
Mrs. V. Beech	17 Oberon Crescent, Darfield, Barnsley.	Wombwell 3273
Miss S. Thwaites	The Paddock Flat, Tankersley Rectory, Hoyland Common, Barnsley.	Barnsley 742927
Mrs. J. Townsend	Longfield Villas (off Croft Road) Hoyland, Barnsley.	Barnsley 743461

HOME NURSING SERVICE

The Home Nursing Service in the Hoyland Nether Urban District is carried out by four District Nursing Sisters, as follows:-

Name	Address	Telephone No.
Mrs. J. Cooke	2 Gill Street, Hoyland, Barnsley.	Barnsley 743424
Mrs. P.A. Dickinson	19 Allendale Road, Hoyland, Barnsley.	Barnsley 742762
Mrs. A.M. O'Hara	20 Clough Road, Hoyland, Barnsley.	Barnsley 743307
Mrs. N.M. Parkin	8 Woodhouse Road, Hoyland, Barnsley.	Barnsley 742552

During the year a total of 10,928 visits were made by these nurses to 354 new cases.

This is a service which is as near as possible to that available to patients in hospital. The well-trained qualified District Nurse is experienced in the nursing of patients in their own homes. She is fully equipped, and has at her disposal the latest aids and equipment for modern nursing. What she does not have in some cases is the hospital's aseptic environment, and here she has been trained to improvise. All the nurses are mobile, and work in close collaboration with the patient's general practitioner, from whom they take instructions and to whom they are responsible clinically. The majority of general practitioners appreciate the attachment of Home Nurses to their individual practices, and have found this a welcome asset.

MIDWIFERY SERVICE

There was no change in the Midwifery Staff during the year under review. Close professional liaison between midwives and general practitioners continues, and Ante-natal Clinics are held weekly within the Local Health Authority and general practitioner surgeries. Weekly Relaxation and Mothercraft Classes are held, and together with group discussions, supplemented by sound films, filmstrips and visual aids, every endeavour is made to prepare mothers for their forthcoming confinement.

During 1970 the Midwives attended 27 confinements; of these, 13 had Trilene Analgesia and 3 Pethidine. Three cases received Pethidine and Trilene Analgesia.

MIDWIVES AT 31st DECEMBER, 1970

Name	Address	Telephone No.
Mrs. J. Andrews	26 Chestnut Avenue, Wath-upon-Dearne, Rotherham.	Wath 3727
Mrs. M.C. Joll	Croft Holme, Market Street, Hoyland, Barnsley.	Barnsley 742935

HOME SAFETY

Once again the Hoyland Home Safety Committee has had an active year. Bi-monthly meetings are held, attended by professional staff, including representatives from the Electricity Board and the Gas Board, Welfare Officers, Council Staff and my own Medical and Nursing Staff.

CHIROPODY SERVICE

The Direct Service provided in the Hoyland Nether Urban District continues to undertake treatments to residents in the area. During 1970 the Chiropodist carried out 1,087 treatments to 245 patients at the Clinic in West Street. In addition to this there were 449 treatments given to 106 people in their own homes who, because of infirmity, were unable to attend the clinic. The Agency Service supplied by the Old Age Pensioners' Association provided 665 clinic treatments to 139 persons, and 59 treatments in the homes of 23 others. This is a rapidly

expanding service and during 1970, because of the resignation of the Chiropodist, there was a little difficulty in obtaining a replacement. We were fortunate in being able to maintain a service by the switching of staff, until a permanent appointment could be made.

DOMESTIC HELP SERVICE

During 1970 a total of 31,332 domestic help hours were provided in the Hoyland District, compared with 31,161 in the previous year. In all, 35 Home Helps were employed, attending a total of 243 cases. Of this total 186 were continuing cases from 1969. The table appended below shows the type of cases where domestic help was made available:-

Maternity cases	12
Tuberculosis cases	-
General cases over 65 years of age	208
General cases under 65 years	10
Mentally ill under 65 years ..	2
Other cases	11
	243

It will be noted that the total number of cases attended by Home Helps in 1970 increased by 48, and all these were in the 'over 65 years of age' group. Since the Home Help Scheme began it has developed into an essential service for the care of the aged, and it helps them to remain in their own homes when otherwise some, due to increasing infirmity, would have to go into Part III accommodation or hospital.

Before the implementation of the Local Authority Social Services Act, 1970 which, amongst other things, authorises the hand-over of the Domestic Help Service to the new Department of Social Service, the County Council approved the appointment of a Home Help Organiser and two assistants in each divisional area. The Home Help Organiser for this Division started her new duties on 1st November, 1970. She had to assume responsibility for administering and co-ordinating a work-force of approximately 140 Home Helps, whose duties had previously been defined and organised in the main by the Health Visiting Staff. There was a gradual transfer of responsibility, with full co-operation on all sides.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 and AMENIMENT ACT, 1951

There was no occasion to use the powers of the above Acts during 1970.

Where a patient is generally difficult and refuses to go into hospital, I find the need for compulsory measures rarely arises. Usually, after a visit by myself and the Divisional Nursing Officer, the patient is reassured and accepts that it is in their best interests to have a period away from home. During their stay in hospital we try to persuade the relatives to clean and redecorate the home, where necessary. When this fails, arrangements are made for the Domestic Help Service and other voluntary agencies to clean the house. It is pleasing to record the help and advice we have received from Mr. Smith's

department on occasions, in this respect. The patient, after a spell in hospital receiving medication, regular and wholesome food, with proper care and attention, is able to return to their own home where, with support from a Home Help, provision of Meals-on-Wheels and periodic visits from the Nursing Staff, they are able to take up and lead a full life.

MEALS-ON-WHEELS

This is the final link in the chain of help and assistance for the elderly, and is all the more remarkable because it is voluntary service. Organised by a local group of volunteers from the Women's Royal Voluntary Service, and supported by the County Council and the District Council, these ladies provide a hot meal twice or three times a week to the aged and infirm who are unable to cook a lunch for themselves. There is an active group working in the Hoyland Nether area, and I do feel that the community are indebted to these ladies for their efforts, and I would like to place on record my sincere thanks.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

Steady progress was maintained in this field during 1970, and I am happy to report good liaison continues between the hospitals and the community services.

The general policy of Mental Hospitals in cases of acute psychiatric illness is intensive treatment and early discharge to the community, with support and after-care from the Mental Welfare Officers.

Out-patient Clinics are held at the Northern General Hospital every Tuesday morning, and in attendance is a Mental Welfare Officer from this department. A Consultant Psychiatrist from Middlewood Hospital held Out-patient Clinic sessions at the Health Centre, Mill Road, Ecclesfield, each Monday afternoon, and during the year under review 253 patients were seen at 48 sessions. On Friday mornings at the Health Centre an Out-patient Clinic is held for subnormal patients whenever necessary. During the year a total of 42 juveniles were seen at 28 sessions. The Yews Day Hospital, which is an annexe of Middlewood Hospital continues to accept patients from the Division. At this establishment patients attend on a daily basis, and are conveyed either by ambulance, a Mental Welfare Officer or, in some cases by relatives. Here they are not only able to receive treatment from the Hospital Consultant, but can participate in social activities, and where necessary can undertake occupational therapy.

Admissions and Discharges to Middlewood Hospital

There were 25 patients (6 male and 19 female) admitted to Middlewood Hospital during the year, and 23 were discharged (4 male and 19 female). In all there were 15 requests for after-care.

Training Centre

The Training Centre at High Green continued to play an important part in helping these handicapped persons living in the Division. Here they have the opportunity to mix with people of similar disabilities. The adults undertake contract work, for which they receive a nominal sum of money each week. This is classed as an incentive payment for attending the Centre, rather than a

remuneration for work carried out, although skill and aptitude in any particular craft is rewarded by an increase in the incentive payment. The trainees continue to enjoy an active social life. At least once a month a football or cricket match was held, depending on the time of the year and on other occasions Socials and Dances were arranged. It is pleasing to place on record that there is never any shortage of volunteers on these occasions, and much credit reflects on the Parent/Teachers' Association for their sponsorship and financial help in these activities.

Special Care Unit

The Care Unit provides relief to mothers of those children who, in some cases, have a physical as well as a mental handicap, being cot-bound or chair-bound. With the best will in the world these cases can be a real problem to a mother who may have normal children to cope with in addition As would be expected, the Unit admits the maximum number with which it can cope, and apart from holidays and sickness, 12 children attended five days a week during 1970.

The following are statistics of the mentally subnormal cases in the area:-

Care and Guidance

Over 16 years	Male	Female
In full employment	4	5
Fully employed and/or supervised at home	5	4
Training Centre	8	4
Training Centre refused	1	1
Unemployable or cot cases	-	-
Working part-time	-	-
Under 16 years		
Training Centre	2	3
Cot cases in Care Unit	1	1
Cot cases at home (refused Care Unit) ..	-	2
	21	20

DISTRIBUTION OF WELFARE FOODS

The amount of Welfare Foods issued in Hoyland Nether Urban District during 1970 was as follows:-

National Dried Milk	194 tins
Cod Liver Oil	135 bottles
Vitamin A and D Tablets	231 (packets of 45)
Orange Juice	4171 bottles

These foods are issued at the following Centres throughout the Division on the days and times stated:-

Address of Premises	Days	Times
STOCKSBRIDGE URBAN DISTRICT		
Child Welfare Centre, Johnson Street Stocksbridge.	Thursday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.

Address of Premises	Days	Times
Brightside & Carbrook Co-op Society, Deepcar Branch, Manchester Road, Deepcar.	During shop hours.	
PENISTONE URBAN DISTRICT		
Child Welfare Centre, Shrewsbury Road, Penistone.	Monday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
PENISTONE RURAL DISTRICT		
Child Welfare Centre, Parish Hall, Church Street, Cawthorne.	Alternate Thursdays	1.30 - 3.30 p.m.
P. & C. Sinclair, The Stores, Halifax Road, Thurgoland.	During shop houts.	
HOYLAND NETHER URBAN DISTRICT		
Child Welfare Centre, Rockingham Youth Club, Sheffield Road, Hoyland Common.	Thursday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Child Welfare Centre, 2 West Street, Hoyland.	 Tuesday	10.00 - 12.00 a.m. 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
WORTLEY RURAL DISTRICT		
Clinic, Zion Congregational Church, Langsett Road South, Oughtibridge.	Thursday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Clinic, Memorial Hall, Worrall.	Alternate Tuesdays	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Child Welfare Centre, Greenhead Wesleyan Reform Chapel, Greenhead Lane, Chapeltown.	 Wednesday	10.00 - 12.00 a.m. 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Clinic, Methodist Chapel, High Green.	Tuesday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Health Centre, Mill Road, Ecclesfield.	Monday and Friday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Clinic, Community Hall, Main Street, Grenoside.	Thursday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Child Welfare Centre, Wharncliffe Silkstone Welfare Hall, Pilley, Barnsley.	Alternate Mondays.	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Health Centre, Uppergate Road, Stannington.	Wednesday	2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Child Welfare Centre, Congregational Church, Loxley.	Alternate Tuesdays	1.30 - 3.30 p.m.

THE HOYLAND NETHER URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR AND CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR 1970

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

I N T R O D U C T I O N

I have pleasure in submitting to you my report for the year 1970. The part dealing with public cleansing is for the year ending 31 st March, 1971.

GENERAL STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Estimated Population	[illegible]	Census 1971)
Rateable Value	£36[illegible]	Estimated as at 1st April, 1971)
Products of a new penny rate	£3332,336	Estimated as at 1st April, 1971)
Acreage	[illegible]	

Height above sea level:

Elsecar 170 feet
Hoyland Low Stone [illegible] feet

Ward	Acreage	Number of Houses
Hoyland	[illegible]	923
Hoyland Common	[illegible]	368
St. Peter's	[illegible]	149
Elsecar	[illegible]	349
Totals	1,398	1789

COUNCIL HOUSES

The following table shows the numbers and types of the various properties owned by the Council as at 31st December, 1971.

The number of acquired houses is not given.

PRE WAR	
Four bedroomed type houses	20
Three bedroomed houses	1056
Two bedroomed Old Aged People's bungalows	131
One bedroom Old Aged People's Bungalows	30
TOTAL	1237
POST-WAR	
Three bedroomed type houses	609
Two bedroomed houses	228
Two bedroomed flats	56
Two bedroomed bungalows	148
Two bedroomed type pre-fabricated bungalows ..	220
One bedroomed bungalows	100
One bedroom flatlets	20
Wardens flats associated with Communal Lounges	5
Three bedroom flats with shops	2
Two bedroom handicapped persons bungalows	2
TOTAL	1390
TOTAL PRE-WAR AND POST-WAR	2627

The following table gives the numbers and types of Council houses in the various wards as at 31st December, 1970.

	Hoylandd Common	St. Peter's Hoyland	Elsecar	Totals
Houses				
4 Bedroom	-	20	-	20
3 Bedroom	28	543	292	665
2 Bedroom	59	53	-	228
TOTAL	340	616	292	913
Bungalow type				
2 Bedroom	93	46	46	279
1 Bedroom	48	2	23	30
1 Bedroom flatlets	-	20	-	20
TOTAL	141	68	69	329
Prefabs TOTAL	70	-	140	220
Flats	-	-	56	56
Wardens Flats	1	1	2	5
3 Bedroom flats with shop	-	2	-	2
2 Bedroom handicapped persons bungalow	-	1	-	2
TOTAL		4	58	65
GRAND TOTAL	552	688	503	2627

HOUSING

During the year nine houses were demolished or closed as a result of clearance area procedure or as subjects of individual action under the Housing Act, 1957. The properties were in George Street, Central Street, King Street, and Broad Street.

There were no official representations submitted to the Council during the year due to an embargo on slum clearance. The reason for the embargo was the lack of housing accommodation for persons who would be displaced. Only two Council houses were constructed during the year 1970.

IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

Sixty-seven applications were received for Discretionary and Standard Grants from owners of private houses. All were approved and £18,500 was paid in grants in respect of sixty-seven completed improvements during the year.

Many soundly constructed houses are still in need of improvements and all possible help, both financial and otherwise is given to owners of properties willing to carry out this necessary work. The Housing Act, 1969 introduced extra grant to cover the cost of repairs and replacements in addition to normal improvements. This helps to make the main improvement fully effective.

THE HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958

During the year £52,80 was advanced in respect of 6 houses under the above Act.

BUILDING REGULATIONS

Two hundred and twenty five plans were passed by the Council during the year ended 31st December, 1970. Of these one hundred and six were for partially exempt buildings.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION

The following statement shows the number of the various types of sanitary conveniences in use in the district at the close of the year.

Type	Number
Water Closets	6,922
Pail Closets	9
Privy	1
Total:	6,932

SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

There are ten large capacity cesspools in the district serving twenty-six private houses and two business premises. The cesspools are emptied fortnightly by the Council's cesspool emptying machine which discharges the contents into the main sewerage system. There are also three septic tanks serving five houses.

The Council's Engineer and Surveyor states that permission has been received from the Department of the Environment for large scale extensions and renewals of sewers within the Urban District. The Council's consulting engineers are preparing tender documents.

WATER SUPPLY

Water is supplied to the Urban District by Sheffield Corporation Waterworks Department. All dwelling houses are on public supplies, piped direct to the houses.

The following information is supplied by A. B. Baldwin, Esq., Engineer and General Manager to the Sheffield Corporation Waterworks.

1.	No. of samples examined physical and part chemically	39
	Number satisfactory	39
	Number unsatisfactory	Nil
2.	No. of samples examined bacteriologically	39
	Number satisfactory	39
	Number unsatisfactory	Nil
3.	Any insufficiency of supply	None
4.	Any unsatisfactory supply	None

5. New mains will be required to provide water to the Cloughs Housing Site when this development commences.

6. A new 6 inch main was laid along Market Street, Hoyland to replace an existing 5 inch main.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF DISTRICT

Complaints

During the year 622 complaints were reported as follows:-

Nature of Complaint	No. Received
Choked drains	119
Choked sewers	13
Defective yard drainage	1
Burst drainage pipes	2
Discoloured water	1

Nature of Complaint Cont/d.....	No. Received
Dilapidation and dampness	7
Water in cellar	18
Offensive smell	11
Miscellaneous	21
Smoke Reflux	3
Deposit of Rubbish	9
Rats	110
Mice	161
Insect pests	105
Noise	7
Defective eaves gutter	3
Overcrowding	2
Blocked gully	6
Defective sanitary accommodation	21
Defective ceiling	1
Dry rot	1
	622

Notices

The table below shows the action taken to secure the abatement of nuisances and the removal of conditions prejudicial to health.

Notices	Out standing 31.12.69	Issued 1970	Complied with 1970	Work done by L. A. in default	Out standing 31.12.70
Informal	29	46	47	-	28
Statutory	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	29	46	47	-	28

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION OF DISTRICT

NATURE OF INSPECTIONS

Housing

Housing and Public Health Acts	355
Dirty and Verminous Premises	44
Miscellaneous Housing	246
Moveable Dwellings	3

Food Inspections

Butchers	10
Fishmongers	2
Grocers	11
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	4
Miscellaneous Food Visits	27
Food Preparing Premises	3
Mobile Shops, Hawkers and Stalls	3
Restaurants	1
Fried Fish Shops	3
Licensed Premises	7

Visits in Connection with Sampling

Food and Drugs	20
Ice-cream Sampling	12

Infectious Disease and Suspected Food Poisoning etc.

Inquiries and Disinfection	20

General Sanitation

Water Supply	2
Drainage	113
Piggeries	1
Factories	28
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	98
Public Conveniences	9
Refuse Collection	30
Refuse Disposal and Salvage	37
Rats and Mice	47
Public Cleansing Miscellaneous	7
Kennels	1
Air Pollution Control	163
Pet Shops	1
Petroleum Installations	20
Abandoned Vehicles and Civic Amenities	8
Noise	4

PESTOLOGY

As usual, a wide variety of pests were reported to us and advice sought on the manner in which extermination could best be achieved.

In some cases tenants were issued with small quantities of insecticide and given instructions regarding application. In other cases, direct assistance was given by means of treatment with the latest insecticides.

The following figures show the different varieties of infestations reported and treated.

Infestation	Number of houses
Moles	1
Snails	1
Woodworm	1
Cockroaches	38
Silverfish	40
Flies	10
Ants	2
Bryobia	5
Wasps	3
Bed bugs	2
Wood lice	2

CONSUMER PROTECTION

On four occasions during the year, complaints were received at my office concerning articles of food which had been sold and were not of the nature, quality or substance demanded by the purchaser.

They consisted of (a) Plastic tube in a loaf of bread (b) Mouldy sausage roll (c) mouldy pikelets (d) can of beans containing a caterpiller.

Each case was thoroughly investigated and severe warnings given to the firms concerned.

UNSOUND FOOD

The following food was surrendered by the retailers and wholesalers as food unfit for human consumption.

Prepacked	No. of cans, jars, packets etc.,	Weight in lbs.
Salmon	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Ham	1	1
Rice	14	$2\frac{3}{4}$
Tomatoes	36	$18\frac{1}{2}$
Fruit Salad	10	$10\frac{1}{4}$
Peaches	14	14
Irish Stew	6	6
Evaporated Milk	5	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Apricots	16	17
Tinned Meat	10	8
Tinned Beef	1	$\frac{3}{4}$
Pineapple	5	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Beans	4	5
Baby Foods	2	$\frac{3}{4}$
Peas	8	8
Pears	5	$7\frac{3}{4}$
Soup	3	3
Steak	28	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Potatoes	2	1
Cream	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Grapefruit juice	6	2
Grapefruit	1	1
Oranges	1	1
Tongue	1	1
TOTALS	181	$120\frac{1}{4}$

OTHER FOOD STUFFS	No. of cans, jars, packets etc.,	Weight in lbs.
Turkeys	-	18
Cod	-	89
Chicken Pies	16	-
Steak and kidney Pies	14	-

OTHER FOODS Cont/d....

	No. of cans, jars, packets etc.,	Weight in lbs.
Sprouts	-	15
Beans	-	3
Peas	-	8
Chips	-	40
Fish fingers	60	-
Beefburgers	24	-
Apples	-	400
Grapes	-	32
Potatoes	-	112
Meat	-	27
	114	744

FROZEN FOOD	No. of cans, jars, packets etc.,
Turkeys	2
Ducks	3
Kippers	27
Chickens	97
Pastry	67
Beef	56
Chicken dinners	6
Beefburgers	151
Fishcakes	23
Chicken portions	19
Cream cakes	29
Broccoli	6
Sausage	5
Chicken pies	16
Steak and kidney pies	17
Ice-cream	3
Beans	113
Sprouts	48
Sausage rolls	15
Plaice	37
Faggotts	24
Haddock	55
Fish fingers	115
Rissols	33
Cod	201
Cornish pasties	8
Chips	50
Peas	130
Fish and chips	17
Mixed vegetables	29
Chicken and mushroom pies	33
Orange juice	2
Triffles	44
Mousse	207
TOTAL	1,688

FOOD INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION

The classification of various food shops, licensed premises etc., are as follows:-

Classification	Total No.	No. Complying with Reg. 16	No. To which Reg. 19 Applies	No. Complying with Reg. 19
Grocers and General Mixed Stores	79	68	60	60
Confectioners	3	3	3	2
Greengrocers	8	8	-	-
Butchers	19	12	19	19
Fishmongers	2	2	1	1
Fish Fryers	9	8	9	9
Bakehouses	2	2	2	2
Flour Miller	1	1	-	-
Wholesale Grocer ..	1	1	-	-
Wholesale Greengrocer	2	1	-	-
Cafes and Canteens ..	12	12	12	12
Public Houses	21	15	21	21
Licenced Clubs ..	8	5	8	8

The regulations referred to in the above table are the Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

Regulation 16 requires the provision of sufficient wash-hand basins and washing facilities.

Regulation 19 refers to the provision of sinks and other facilities for the washing of food and equipment.

WEST RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL (General Powers) ACT, 1951 - HAWKERS OF FOOD

There were thirty-nine persons operating as registered hawkers of food in the District at the end of the year.

Before registration all vehicles are inspected to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933 to 1958

Two persons are licenced to slaughter animals under the above Act.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Sausage, preserved food etc.,

There are twenty-two premises in the District registered under the provisions of Section 16, for the preparation or manufacture of sausage or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale.

ICE-CREAM

Forty-one premises in the District are registered for the sale or storage of ice-cream.

Twelve samples were taken and submitted to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological grading and were classified as follows:-

Provisional Grade	Number
1	10
2	2
3	-
4	-

CHEMICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK

The work in connection with the sampling of milk under the Food and Drugs Act 1955 is administered by the West Riding County Council by whose authority I am appointed Sampling Officer.

The County Council bear the cost of the analysis and provide any legal assistance which may be necessary. Twenty samples were submitted for analysis (details as follows) all of which were formal samples.

No. of Sample	Total Solids %	Milk Fat %	Solids not fat %	Preservatives
470	12.49	3.70	8.79	Nil
471	13.70	4.65	9.05	"
472	12.86	4.05	8.81	"
473	12.28	3.65	8.63	"
474	12.10	3.60	8.50	"
475	13.34	4.50	8.84	"
476	12.16	3.60	8.56	"
477	13.08	4.30	8.78	"
478	13.97	4.30	9.67	"
479	Broken in Transit			"
480	13.92	4.55	9.77	"
481	13.22	4.10	9.12	"
482	12.62	3.30	9.32	"
483	12.71	3.30	8.87	"
484	12.50	3.65	8.85	"
485	12.46	3.80	8.66	"
486	12.30	3.75	8.55	"
487	13.71	4.80	8.91	"
488	14.42	5.40	9.02	"
489	13.44	3.70	9.74	"

PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT 1928

Storage of Petroleum Spirit and Mixtures of Petroleum

The department is responsible for the inspection, installation and licensing of petroleum stores in the District, a list of which is given below.

All new installations must be approved by the department but in addition the West Riding County Council Fire Department inspect the site and offer recommendations where necessary.

Name	Premises	Gallons
Geoff Cleaver (Motor Eng).	The Garage, Platts Common	5,000
The Milton Motor Company	Milton Road, Hoyland	1,000
The Hoyland Brick Co. (Marshall)	Shortwood	500
N.C.B., Elsecar Main Colliery	Elsecar	500
Aero Garage	Market Street	9,000
J. Oxley	Crown Garage, Elsecar	3,000
N.C.B., Rockingham Colliery	Rockingham	500
N.C.B., Engineering Works	Elsecar	30
R. Henfry Ltd.,	Sheffield Road, Hoyland Common	5,000
A. Cameron Ltd.,	Industrial Estate Platts Common	1,000
W. Wordsworth	West Street, Hoyland	2,000
E. Turner	Reform Garage, Wath Road, Elsecar	2,000
N.C.B., Skiers Spring Colliery	Skiers Spring, Hoyland	100
W.R.C.C., Ambulance Station	Hawshaw Lane, Hoyland	600
Millhouses Garage	Millhouses Street, Hoyland	3,000
Mercury Motors Ltd.,	Market Street, Hoyland	3,000
C. S. Swift	2 Wath Road, Elsecar.	50
		42,280

FACTORIES

The factories at present on our register are classified as follows:-

Baking and Confectionary	2
Refractory Brick Manufacture	2
Builders Yards and Joinery	9
Clothing	2
Engineering	7
Metal Founding	1
Motor Vehicle Repairs	10
Funeral Undertaking and Joinery	1
Tubular Steel Furniture	1
Dental Technician	1
Car Battery Maker	1
Flour Mill	1
Paper Baling	1
Welding and Car Spraying	1
Building Operations and Work of Engineering Construction ..	4

Printer	1
Plastic Bag Manufacture	1
Electric Motor Repairing	1
Woodworking	1
Sheet Metal Work	1
Furniture Spraying	1

Outworkers

At the close of the year there were no outworkers on the register.

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Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961

PART I OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspector).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(a) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	1	1	-	-
(b) Factories not included in (a) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	45	23	-	-
(c) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (Excluding outworkers' premises)	4	4	-	-
TOTAL	50	28	-	-

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found.
(If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more "cases").

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred to H.M. Inspector (4)	Referred by H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)					
Overcrowding (S.2)					
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)					
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)					
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) (a) Insufficient					
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3			
(c) Not separate for sexes					
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)					
TOTAL	3	3			

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK
(Section 133 and 134)

Nature of Work (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of Outworkers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply list (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing Apparel Making etc., cleaning and washing						
Household Linen			Nil Return			
etc., etc., as per schedule						

OFFICES, SHOP AND WORKPLACES

The number of premises registered under the provisions of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 and the number of employees at those premises:-

Class of Premises	No. of premises registered at end of year	No. of persons employed
Offices	3	20
Retails Shops	69	186
Wholesale Departments or Warehouses	2	18
Catering Establishments open to the Public, Canteens	6	19
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-
TOTALS	80	243

The task of obtaining compliance with the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, at registered premises, continued during the year and a total of 98 inspections were made.

Where inadequacies were found to exist, warning letters were sent to offenders.

BOARDING OF ANIMALS ESTABLISHMENT ACT, 1963

There is one establishment licenced in the district under the above Act. The premises are maintained in a satisfactory manner and all animals are housed in clean, separate kennels.

HAIRDRESSERS AND BARBERS

Under the provisions of the West Riding County Council (General Powers) Act, 1951 thirty-three premises are registered where the business of hairdresser or barber is carried on.

PET ANIMALS ACT 1951

Two premises were licenced during the year under the above Act. These were granted subject to the observance of certain conditions.

COMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no Common Lodging Houses registered within the Urban District.

CARAVAN SITE AND MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

There is one licenced Caravan Site in the District which is used for residential purposes and will accommodate twelve modern trailer caravans.

RODENT CONTROL

During the year there were one hundred and ten complaints of infestation by rats and one hundred and sixty-one complaints of infestation by mice.

SCRAP METAL DEALERS ACT, 1964

There are two licenced scrap metal dealers in the District.

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

During the year the Council approved a ten year smoke control programme which ultimately will cover the whole of the Urban District.

The Hoyland No. 1 Smoke Control Order was made by the Council during the year and confirmed by the Ministry. This order is due to come into operation on 1st July, 1972. It covers 232 acres and at the present time 225 houses are involved.

As the Cloughs Housing Estate is included in the area it is anticipated that finally there will be approximately 1300 houses covered by this order.

Cooperation with Industrial Management has continued during the year in collaboration with H. M. Alkali Inspectorate. All applications to instal new boilers are examined and a close watch is kept on chimney heights.

The Council operate two smoke and SO_2 monitary stations and one deposit gauge in the district. The results are used in the national survey on air pollution.

PUBLIC CLEANSING SERVICE

The information contained in this section of the report relates to the financial year ended 31st March, 1971.

REFUSE COLLECTION

The collection of household refuse and trade refuse was carried out weekly during the year apart from the period of the Manual workers strike and during adverse weather and manpower conditions. Bulky items such as furniture and mattresses are collected on Saturday mornings. This service is becoming more widely known and every week there is a list of premises throughout the district requesting a special collection.

The Manual workers strike started locally on 19th October, 1970 and lasted three full weeks. During this time seven thousand plastic sacks were issued to the general public who cooperated very well. Following the end of the strike the service was quickly back to normal again.

TRANSPORT (Year ending 31st March, 1971)
and EQUIPMENT

Fleet No. 3 Refuse Collection Vehicle
Shelvoke & Drewry Limited (Deisel Engine), 11 cubic yard capacity, side loader
(Registered 1.11.1960)

Fleet No. 24 Refuse Collection Vehicle
Shelvoke & Drewry Limited (Deisel Engine), 20 Cubic Yards Pakamatic, with hydraulically operated mechanical bin lifting equipment.
(Registered 21.4.1965)

Fleet No. 25 Refuse Collection Vehicle
Shelvoke & Drewry Limited (Deisel Engine), 20 cubic yards Pakamatic with hydraulically operated mechanical bin lifting equipment.
(Registered 17.3.1966)

Fleet No. 5 Tractor
International tracked vehicle.
(Registered 4.7.1968)

Fleet No. 1 Gully and Cesspool Emptier
Karrier/Yorkshire (Deisel Engine)
(Registered 1.7.1970)

Fleet No. 2 Suction Road Sweeper
Carrier/Yorkshire (Deisel Engine)
(Registered 29.1.1968)

Reserve and Trade Refuse Vehicle
Fleet No. 4 Refuse Collection Vehicle
Shelvoke and Drewry Limited (Deisel Engine), 13 cubic yard capacity, side loader.
(Registered 1.5.1958)

Motor Footpath Sweeper
Bunce - Autoculto (petrol)
(Registered 25.1.1967)

STAFF:-

One foreman
Three drivers
Thirteen loaders
One tipman
One salvage-man

REFUSE DISPOSAL

Tipping

Tipping of domestic refuse continued at the Jump Pit Tip but unfortunately the life of this tip is strictly limited owing to planning conditions and sewerage problems.

The Council are represented on the Barnsley and District Joint Committte on Refuse Disposal. This Committee is looking into the question of a central refuse disposal plant to serve Barnsley and surrounding districts and it has been recommended that a direct incineration plant would be the best method for this area.

SALVAGE

During the year 71 tons of salvage waste paper and cardboards were sold to the Board Mills for £771.00p. There has been a considerable decline in the quantity of salvage collected due to private sales of salvage by the large shops and the closure of a large number of premises which normally produce salvage.

REFUSE RECEPTACLES

The total number of receptacles to be emptied is as follows. This figure includes spare bins.

Dustbins 6,464

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE

Receptacles	No. emptied	No. of loads	Estimated Weight T.	C.	Q.
Dustbins	303,255	2,577	6848.	7.	0.
Trade Refuse	10,910	1,509	1088.	14.	0.
GRAND TOTAL	314,165	4,086	7937.	1.	0.

MUNICIPAL DUSTBINS SCHEME

During the year 1970-71, 399 dustbins were issued to premises within the District under the terms of Section 75(3) of the Public Health Act, 1936. The total cost of the bins amounted to £957.60p.

Each 3¼ cu. ft. dustbin is embossed with the letter H.N.U.D.C., and the year of issue. Rubber lids are provided with all bins in an effort to contribute to a reduction in general noise.

CESSPOOL AND GULLY EMPTYING

Every cesspool in the District was regularly emptied once every two weeks by the Council's cesspool emptying machine.

A systematic cleansing of gullies is also carried out both on County and District Council Roads in order to keep them clean and free running.

STREET SWEEPING

Although every effort is made to keep the roads and streets clean by means of a new suction sweeper and manual sweeping, the problem of litter persists. The Council are providing more and more litter bins in the district but still one finds rubbish on the roads and pavements. A growing problem is

that of grit and mud on the roads from new development sites. Besides being a road hazard, mud is difficult to remove and adheres to the road surface for some considerable time giving the district a neglected appearance.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The public conveniences in use throughout the District were regularly cleansed and an effort made to keep them in working order.

Vandalism was prevelant and the Council therefore decided to close two conveniences for the time being.

PUBLIC CLEANSING SERVICE REVENUE

The following is a detailed list of the Department's Revenue obtained during the year.

	T.	C.	Q.	£.	p.
Refuse Collection					
Trade Refuse Charges	-	-	-	254.	50.
Refuse Disposal					
Tipping Fees	-	-	-	2.	50.
Salvage					
Baled Waste Paper	71.	2.	3.	771.	11.
	71.	2.	3.	£1028.	11p.

CONCLUSION

Once again the Council have demonstrated their willingness to improve the environment in which we live. The Urban District is dramatically being changed from a typical colliery district into a pleasant, clean area. The effects of slum clearance carried out so far; the improvements to individual houses and the new development are a testimony to this fact.

I thank the Council for their help during the year and also the Chief Officials and their staffs. My own staff deserve a special mention and I should like to thank them for all their support and help I have received.

I am Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

HORACE SMITH,

Chief Public Health Inspector and
Cleansing Superintendent.